Pampered Pets

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Australians love their pets and look after them as members of the family but that love and care can cost a small fortune. Here are some money saving ideas that will let you pamper your pet without busting the budget.

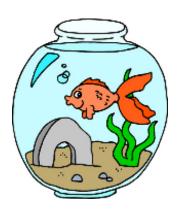
Repel fleas on your pets by adding minced garlic to their food and a teaspoon of white vinegar to each bowl of drinking water.



Deodorised kitty litter is great, but expensive. Add a cup of bi-carb soda to the bag of litter to make your own deodorised kitty litter.

Litter tray liners are overpriced. Use kitchen bin liners, which cost half the price for twice the number, from a \$2 or discount shop. Save time by layering 4 or 5 at a time. Then simply tie up the top one and the next one is ready to go.

Make your own dog food and save \$250 a year. Dogs prefer it and you can adjust the recipes to suit your pet. There are lots of different recipes in the Pets: Dog Food category in the Tip Store.



Bulk buy fish food blocks from pet supply wholesalers. You can save as much as 30% over buying the smaller, individual packets.

Save up to 40% by buying fish flakes by the kilogram. Store in a re-sealable, airtight container for up to a year.

Shop online for pet supplies. Even with postage the savings are around 25% of regular retail prices.

Give your caged birds a treat. Collect cuttlebone at the beach. Wash thoroughly, dry and give it to your pet birds as a great source of calcium



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